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For: FLUORESCENCE LIFETIME DISTRIBUTION)
IMAGE MEASURING SYSTEM AND ITS)
MEASURING METHOD)

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. Applicants are filing concurrently herewith a Request for Continued Examiner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 for the above-identified application. Accordingly, Applicants do not believe that a fee is due for filing this paper.

As for the documents listed on the accompanying PTO Form 1449 that are in a language other than English, relevance can be understood from that attached English abstracts.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute “prior art”. If the Examiner applies any of these documents as “prior art” against any claim in the

application and Applicants determine that the cited document does not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over any of the listed documents, should any such document to be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any additional fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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